

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2004-05  
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Question : Has provision been made in 2004-05 for the implementation of the landfill charging scheme for construction and demolition waste? If yes, what is the estimated expenditure? Will it involve additional staffing requirement? If so, what is the implication on the establishment?

Asked by : Hon. CHOY So-yuk

Reply : The Environmental Protection Department is considering a proposal to upgrade the weighbridge computer systems and other associated infrastructures for the existing three landfills that are necessary for the implementation of the construction waste disposal charging scheme. The estimated cost is in the order of \$20 million. The department will re-deploy existing staff resources to implement the charging scheme and no additional staff resources are required.

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